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Remarks

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by

Makimoto et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,749,963). Claims 1,2,4,5 and 7 are hereby cancelled

rendering the rejection moot.

**Allowed Claims and Conclusion** 

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 8 through 10 and contend that

the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request

entry of the foregoing amendments and issuance of a Patent for the subject invention. Please

charge any additional requisite fees relating to this amendment and response to Deposit Account

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